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SUBJECT: ISRAELI EDITORIAL REACTION TO YASSER ARAFAT'S  
SPEECH TO UN GA

1. ISRAELI PRESS EDITORIAL REACTION NOV 14 TO ARAFAT'S  
UN ASSEMBLY SPEECH WAS UNIVERSALLY SOMBRE. ALL EDITORIALS  
SAW IN ARAFAT'S SPEECH HIS AIM TO DESTROY  
THE STATE OF ISRAEL BY FORCE, WITH LITTLE IF ANY PROSPECTS  
OF PEACEFUL DIALOGUE WITH THE PLO. EDITORIALS GENERALLY  
URGED THAT ISRAEL MUST MORE THAN EVER STRENGTHEN ITS  
MILITARY FORCES AND MOBILIZE SUPPORT OF ITS FRIENDS.

2. COMPARING ARAFAT'S "FINAL TERRITORIAL DEMAND"  
WITH HITLER'S "FINAL SOLUTION OF THE JEWISH PROBLEM,  
YAARIV EDITORIAL DEPLORED THAT "THIS IS NO LONGER THE  
SAME UN WHICH 27 YEARS AGO, DECIDED TO GIVE THE  
JEWISH PEOPLE BACK ITS HOMELAND AND ITS FREEDOM..."

3. DAVAR WARNED THAT THE UN, BY GIVING AN OFFICIAL  
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STATUS OF RECOGNITION TO THE PLO TERROR ORGANIZATION,

"HAS PAVED A ROAD, AT THE END OF WHICH ONE CANNOT EXACTLY DISCERN PEACE." IT URGED ISRAEL TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN WHAT WAS SAID AT THE UN ASSEMBLY AND "WHAT WILL HAPPEN HERE IN THIS COUNTRY BY VIRTUE OF OUR STRENGTH AND AN ABILITY TO ENSURE THE FUTURE OF OUR STATE AND ITS ECRURITY."

4. WHILE WAVING AN OLIVE BRANCH TO CATER TO WORLD OPINION, HAAREITZ CHARGED THAT THE GUN WHICH ARAFAT CARRIED SYMBOLIZED THE TRUE NATURE OF HIS AIMS. IT HOPED THAT THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH SO FAR HAVE REFRAINED FROM SUPPORTING ARAFAT "WILL NOT BE LEAD UP A GARDEN PATH BY A SPEECH WHICH WAS... AN ATTEMPT AT INTERNATIONAL BRAINWASHING."

5. AL HAMISHMAR SAW ONLY ONE ANSWER TO ARAFAT'S OFFER OF A "DEMOCRATIC-SECULAR-PALESTINIAN STATE: THE STRENGTHENING OF ISRAEL'S MILITARY FIST AND ITS STRIKING POWER. ARAFAT SPEECH, DENYING THE EXISTENCE OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL, LEAVES LITTLE HOPE FOR DIALOGUE. AL HAMISMHAR WARNED AGAINST "SLAMMING THE DOOR," BUT URGED " WE MUST GET RID OF OUR HANGOVER AND DROP OUR ILLUSIONS, THE SOONER, THE BETTER".  
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